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SUBJECT: FRASER VISIT ANNOUNCEMENT

I. WHITE HOUSE WILL MAKE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT AT $10\!:\!00$ A.M. EDT TUESDAY, JULY $6\!:$

PRESIDENT FORD HAS INVITED THE PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA, THE HONORABLE '. MALCOLM FRASER, TO MAKE AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO WASHINGTON ON JULY 27. THE PRIME MINISTER HAS ACCEPTED. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MRS. FRASER, BY FOREIGN MINISTER ANDREW S. PEACOCK, AND BY OTHER OFFICIALS.

THIS WILL BE MR. FRASER'S FIRST VISIT TO WASHINGTON SINCE HE BECAME PRIME MINISTER LAST YEAR. HE LAST VISITED THE UNITED STATES IN 1970, WHEN HE WAS MINISTER FOR DEFENSE.

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THE UNITED STATES HAS HAD THE PLEASURE OF RECEIVING AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTERS ON MANY OCCASIONS IN THE PAST. THESE VISITS GIVE AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED STATES AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL AND TO REAFFIRM THEIR CLOSE TIES.

DURING HIS VISIT, THE PRIME MINISTER WILL MEET THE PRESIDENT, THE VICE PRESIDENT, THE SECRETARY OF STATE, AND OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS. HE WILL BE THE GUEST OF HONOR AT A DINNER HOSTED BY PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD, AND AT A LUNCH HOSTED BY SECRETARY KISSINGER.

2. AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY INFORMS US THAT GOA WILL MAKE PARALLEL ANNOUNCEMENT AT 12:00 P.M. CANBERRA TIME JULY 6. ROBINSON

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